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RETRACTABLE LENS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 1, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 3, 2005 (January 1 being a Federal Holiday), Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action, in view of the herein-contained remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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